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Washington, D.C. 20554

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In Re: Special Temporary Authority  
For Station WMEC  
Macomb, Illinois  
Application File No. 0000091689  
Fac Id: 70537

Dear Licensee:

This is in reference to your November 27, 2019 request seeking special temporary authority (STA) to operate TV station WMEC, Macomb, Illinois, on its post-auction channel using an interim antenna with reduced parameters while the station's main facility is completed and made operational.

After a thorough review of your technical specifications, we are persuaded that no interference is likely to occur from the proposed operation. We therefore conclude that the public interest would be served by the grant of this request. If problems do arise, we expect them to be solved expeditiously and the Bureau reserves the right to require the termination of the operation.

With respect to radio frequency radiation (RFR), we expect compliance with Section 1.1307(b) of the Commission's Rules to be achieved.

In light of the above, special temporary authority IS GRANTED pursuant to Section 73.1560(d) and 73.1635 of the Commission's Rules. This authorization expires on **June 4, 2020**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kevin R. Harding", is positioned above the typed name.

Kevin R. Harding  
Associate Chief  
Video Division  
Media Bureau

cc: Melodie A. Virtue, Esq.